

IN THE ABSTRACT

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--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to an electronic personal device comprising: a central processing unit (10), interface means for providing access to a memory area (11) for storing personal information data of the owner of the electronic device, a user interface (13) having at least input means (14) for inputting operating commands, and output means (15) for outputting information data, locking means (17) for locking the electronic device to prevent unauthorized use thereof if activated. To enable any third person to operate the electronic personal device without any authorization but only in a limited manner to retrieve personal information about the owner of the device easily, retrieving means (18) are provided for operating the electronic device to retrieve the personal information data stored in the memory area (11), even if the locking means (17) are activated.

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